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GENERAL NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN

Telegraph Dividend

NEW YORK Dec 8—The executive committee of the Western Union Telegraph Company met to-day and declared the regular quarterly dividend of [illegible] per cent for the quarter ending December 31st In addition to the regular dividend of [illegible] per cent The company will have a surplus of $4,100,000 after paying the dividend

Good by to Uncle Sammy

NEW YORK Dec 8—The Herald's Washington special says Tilden is reported to be preparing a paper to announce his withdrawal from the political turf for 1880 in favor of Speaker Randall

Jones, of Nevada

Senator Jones of Nevada left town on a night Upon returning he will make a great speech on finances Jones had a conversation yesterday, bitterly denounced both the press dent and secretary of the treasury on the views they expressed regarding the finances and has announced the purpose to give them both a severe handling when he addresses the senate.

Thieving Contractors.

NEW YORK, Dec 8—The Times Washington special says that contractors on Arizona have been detected in defrauding the Indians and the government as well by means of false weights and inferior supplies The discovery has created consternation and the most determined efforts are making to prevent exposure Some of the guilty contractors and their friends are now in Washington to have matters quietly arranged but finding that the Indian department was determined to punish the imposition practiced upon the government, they have threatened to secure the removal of Commissioner Hayt and resident ex Gov McCormick who appears to be deeply interested in the Arizona group have already spoken with the president in reference to making a change in the commissionership of Indian affairs

Death of an M C

WASHINGTON Dec 8—Congressman Lay, of Missouri, died in this city this morning He has been in feeble health for some time The immediate cause of his death was par

Nomination.

WASHINGTON, Dec 8—The president has nominated John Hay of Ohio as assistant secretary of state

Committee Reports.

WASHINGTON, Dec 8—The senate judiciary committee recommends Secretary McCrary's confirmation.

The house committee on postoffices and roads this morning instructed the chairman to report the resolution introduced by Representative Valentine calling on the postmaster general for information why mails are not carried on new railroad lines constructed during the west during summer, and why the mails on routes now established is not in accordance with the necessity of

A communication was received from the secretary of the postoffice department with a draft of a bill containing the views of the department on the lottery question

The Morris bill of last session providing to establish a department by the postmaster general and such others as he sees proper, and the return of letters which cannot be delivered to the writers thereof, was ordered reported with an amendment making the establishment of such offices mandatory upon the postmaster general.

The ways committee of the house committee on agriculture this morning took up the bill relating to the agricultural department A protracted discussion followed a number of differences upon some of its features The majority of the committee favored some plan to enlarge the scope of the department The proposition to make the commissioner a cabinet officer is not likely to be decided on and the bill reported till after the holidays

The sub-committee of the house committee on manufactures discussed without action the Cox resolution introduced last Tuesday by Representative McCool, which proposes an amendment to the constitution of the United States giving congress the power to protect and regulate the exclusive right to adopt and use trade marks

Yellow Fever Report.

The commission appointed by the president proceed to Cuba for the purpose of collecting information in relation to yellow fever has submitted a preliminary report to the marine board of health The report says the most general result is that yellow fever generally prevails in every place in Cuba which reports were received, provided places are of any size or commercial importance and contain any considerable number of unacclimated persons to furnish food for the infection as well as intelligent observers of Cuba have for most part resided in the metropolis.

RENO COURT MARTIAL

Reno in his own Defense -He Makes a Lengthy Speech, etc.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN

YANKTON, D. T., Dec 8 —In the Reno court martial to day Major Reno delivered a lengthy argument in his defense in which he claimed he did not go beyond bounds of military conduct, that in striking Lieut Hare, he did so after being driven beyond the limits of patience by repeated taunts and insults, that in looking through a window of the Sturgis House he was actuated by proper motives and his note of apology to Hare was written at the instigation of friends He says that all witnesses agree that he was in the possession of his mental faculties on all occasions brought into question that under the influence of liquor at all he regarded as a good humored drunk and was throwing money on the floor and breaking window lights was done in frolic He says that it has been his misfortune to have obtained widespread notoriety through the press of the country and that the greater portion of action on is called to his acts than to those of other officers and that a conviction on the charges against him would be a sacrifice to the commission which is a reward for over 30 years of hard and faithful labor to his country He quotes the 83 article of articles of war, which says the intent is to prevent vexatious character and honor of the army by wounding disreputable characters and not to inflict punishment for youthful follies or military variations from rectitude The court then adjourned sine die

CENTRAL AMERICA.

Storm on the Isthmus.

NEW YORK, Dec 8—Panama advices state that the storm and freshet of the 18th ult and subsequents was the severest ever known on the isthmus The railroad was washed over 30 miles It may be two or three weeks before trains can run through All the native villages on the river are submerged Five or six of the houses were swept away and the inhabitants were left to starve As soon as the news of the condition reached the U S subscriptions were raised and steps taken to dispatch provisions to the sufferers Gen Prestan, though there was much confusion and trouble prevailing, has been able to preserve order and check to prevent any serious outbreak The people look to the government for help Many have been rendered homeless and are in a destitute condition Everything is in a terrible state of misery

He Gives Excuses why he had Them From

[illegible]

Death of Jefferson Davis

Several dispatches were received by telegraph announcing the death of Gen Jefferson Davis, but information from [illegible] has not confirmed the report of his death

Chicago Nov [illegible] consignee of the [illegible] was brigadier [illegible] afternoon of [illegible]

MORE OF THE UTES.

The Tips of Poor Dr Ives in Favor of Defiance

CHIEF OURAY'S DEFIANT SPEECH

Particulars of the Parley on Saturday In Exciting Scene- The Commission Determined The Indians to be Delivered Up Etc Etc

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE TRIBUNE

DENVER Col Dec 8—The special to the Tribune from Los Pinos dated this morning says that Saturday was used by the Indians in council on their answer to the commissioners This morning Ouray had a talk with the chiefs of the commissioners, which was followed by a talk with the Indians Ouray then returned to Ouray's house to report to the commissioners, and the Indians held a council among themselves Ouray's talk to the Indians was very short, and was followed by a speech from Colorow, which was very long and violent Colorow said that he had been a chief for many years, and had always been treated with respect by the whites, but now he was insulted by the commissioners, who had called him a liar and a thief He would not go to Washington, and would not be taken there by force He would fight first Ouray then spoke, and

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THE LEAD QUE TI N

Congressman Be fords views as give in dispatches f st day upon the part of affairs with read t the Indians f m that wh Bless he repr bated a large be f ed the ast wh knew t lot t the Indians a l ve ge ally f ar pra t pu te were the Indians and whites when the m are s n proximity I at there is no possible sp ke the sen men s of nearly all men o the west and especia y those in r ear the fr nt er settl er The vers fact that a t Indian sh ll be allowed 1000 acres of va uable lands each w n while many ar t has more t a e and will teach them have none zer sh be paid for t shows the absurdity f the government system of dealing with the Ind ans The gift of the government t them is no f the causes of the r ubs wh n n tu ally arise between them and the white The possession of s much and makes the Indians ind ent because they feel that they have hunting grounds sufficiently large to enable them to live without work They are lazy because they have never had need to be industrious and until the government limits their reserv tions to compass that will give each family of the tribe no more land than is necessary for a wh e family with the exception of some help perhaps to start with s op all further donat ons and after they have had time to begin to make their own living let the govern ment leave them where it leaves white people either to work or to starve This omission would be binding on the present generation of the red men but the mate ial est m ght be worked out of their posterity If they could once be brought to a full sense of the necessity of labor one of the greatest existing barriers to their civilization would be removed but while they can have nothing to do out of the hunting and fish ng seasons their idleness is a constant source of mischief They naturally seek to drive away the tedium of unoccupied time by gathering in their miserable villages and while apart they would be harmless together the evil de signs are formed and carried out. The Indian commissioner thinks that the in titution of matrimony the establishment of courts and some other of the characteristics of civilized life would tend largely to bring the Indians to a state of permanent peaceableness there is very much more reason to hope for a sub jection of their warlike propensities by breaking up in some measure their tribal relations and segregating them, if possible, into small er communities or families. Some of them would doubtless become like some white men are, worthless vagabonds but if the doctrine of the survival of the fit est be true they would after a while begin to show an improvement. Under the present system of the government in dealing with them, the country has had experience enough to con vince everybody that peace is impossible Mr Belford's relation of the situation of af fairs in Colorado is applicable in general terms to four fifths of the tribes in the United States outside of Indian territory

The statement of the chief of the bureau of statistics of the exports of domestic pro visions from all the important ports in the United States indicates a general increase in the quantities and in the values of these ex ports for October 1879 over October 1878 Of bacon and hams, over 46,000,000 pounds, worth nearly $3 000,000 were exported last October from eight of these ports together while last year about 34 700,000 pounds were exported worth about $2 600 000 Beef, fresh and salted shows an increase to more than 9 000 000 pounds, against 6 000,000 last year Pork shows a similar increase, although lard has fallen off nearly 2,700 000 pounds Cheese too, shows a decline from 9,800 000 to about 9,000 000 pounds, while butter has gone from 1 800,000 pounds in October, 1878 to over 6 000,000 last month, with an increase of in come from $271,000 to $967,000. These are among the signs of the times, the decrease in a few things being overbalanced by the larger increase in many things About $1,100 000 was the total increase of income on the above articles and tallow for last month over the same month last year

The death of Mrs Catharine Hogarth Dickens in London, on the 22d of November, re vives some of the stories of her separation from the great novelist. Thirty-seven years ago Mr Dickens with his young wife made his first visit to this country and in his ac counts of his movements through the United States she is always tenderly mentioned They lived happily together until 1858 when the whisper of rumor was followed by a separation incompatibility was announced as the cause The story of a love between Mr Dickens and his sister in-law was started but was stoutly denied by Mr. Dickens as a libel on the name of the estimable lady and that of his own The novelist afterward published an account of the affair, which was simply that they could not live happily together Undoubtedly it was a case of the man of genius who could not find companionship with a plain honest, simple Englishwoman And she could not appreciate a great mind such as his was. The tomb that cover the re mains of this unfortunate lady let us hope, cover the last of a sad story

Blaine is said to have gained a good deal of strength in New York recently, and a good many of his friends in that state are sanguine of being able to carry the delegation to the national convention of the republicans in his favor next year Conkling's followers claim that he will dictate the choice of the New York delegation, and that no nomination can be made which does not meet with the approbation of the New York senator His influence with the party in his state is undeniably great, and if he choose to exercise it it may defeat or nominate next year There is, however now no special known reasons why he should not be as willing to endorse Blaine as any other of the men now prominently spoken of in connection with the po sition unless it is General Grant. He would probably prefer Blaine to Sherman on ac count of the latter's connection with Hayes' administration, for which Conkling as is well known, has no admiration

Chief Ouray's declaration before the Uta peace commission that secret emissaries from the Mormons have been conferring with the White River Utes and that he can prove the complicity of the Mormons with the inception of the outbreak has greatly excited the Gentile population of Utah and Colorado The Salt Lake *Tribune* claims that as *no face* has been made out against the Mormons it will be until the charge is sustained it would be a gross violation of justice to consider the parties implicated It is true, of that the matter will be decided as it ought to be in court and if the Mormon emissaries are found to have

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CITY.

SILVER BRICK —A silver brick weighing 2055 ounces, the first product from the Monumental Mining Co's new mill, reached the office in this city last night and created the eyes of the stockholders feel good. It contains $8 000 in silver as it is. Mr W B Penn [illegible] from the mill and his pluck up at the mine and Mr E S Pelham superintendent of the mine, came down with the brick. They express the utmost confidence in the mine and they have no doubt it will [illegible] of the value of the new [illegible] and every day makes it. The workings are entirely satisfactory [illegible] meet.

ONE CHOP LESS —For a long time Columbia Engine Company No has had a [illegible] men. Of late it seems that his [illegible] paid making predatory raids on [illegible] men which are kept in a back yard adjoining the engine house. Last night some one [illegible] after the coon with a pistol and hurling [illegible] into the house in the [illegible] coon shot into the back yard followed by several [illegible] and bears. A night was brought and [illegible] visiting the premises the coon was found [illegible] at the late J Caesar but the murderer [illegible] and had no traces could be discovered.

BAKERSON FIGHT —Last night about half past eight o'clock Dr Brenan and Henry Bakerson became involved in a quarrel in the [illegible] saloon, corner of First and Washington streets. Hot words led to blows and after pawing each other for a minute or two the belligerents were separated. Brenan then [illegible] the bar and picking up a glass threw it at Dr Brenan but missed him. The [illegible] again clinched and both were the worse [illegible] at the floor. In the struggle Brenan kicked Bakerson, striking him below the eye with his [illegible] cutting a severe gash. The parties were then separated by bystanders.

BURGLARY DEATH —H Hofbarber who kept a [illegible] jewelry establishment at No 114 First [illegible] died suddenly Sunday evening either [illegible] heart disease or apoplexy. He came [illegible] from California about two months ago [illegible] and [illegible] within a fortnight had been sober [illegible] industrious. It is said two weeks ago he [illegible] cleaned out by San Francisco creditors [illegible] began a debauch which he kept up until [illegible] died. Hofbarber leaves a wife and three [illegible] in destitute circumstances. They [illegible] have no relatives in this country and are [illegible] charity at the hands of the society [illegible] and private individuals.

LODGE AND INSTALLATION —E W Ryan [illegible] grand lecturer of the I O G T lectured [illegible] the hall of Brooklyn Lodge No 115 [illegible] East Portland, on Saturday evening [illegible] 6th. At the close of the lecture a [illegible] of the lodge was held and eight new [illegible] admitted, and Mr Ryan installed [illegible] officers M Creswell W C T [illegible] McEwan, W V T G Marquam [illegible] Coburn, F S L M Royer Treasurer [illegible] McGrew, C Jos Smith, G, R Smith [illegible] Smith, R H S C Marquam, L H S [illegible].

SACRAMENTO CELESTIALS —On complaint of [illegible] Lucy Luey Sum and Ah Yu, the [illegible] of another Celestial, were arrested last [illegible] charged with adultery. The elopement [illegible] on the way to Boise City, but were [illegible] by Constable Wallace on the [illegible] halfway between Portland and Vancouver and taken before Justice Davis. The [illegible] for hearing on Thursday next [illegible] scarcely come up for trial as the parties [illegible] are trying with all their might [illegible] a compromise.

FIRE IRON WORKS —The fires of the [illegible] iron works which have been banked [illegible] thirty six days were started [illegible] Saturday, and the establishment is now [illegible]. The new casual is fully half [illegible] work on it has been suspended on [illegible] of high water until spring. There [illegible] in the Tualatin river has given the [illegible] enough water in the old canal to [illegible] the motive power necessary.

FIRE IN OAMS.—Yesterday the old and [illegible] awning in front of the little [illegible] store at the corner of Second and [illegible] streets came down with a crash [illegible] no one was standing under the [illegible] at the moment of its descent or a serious [illegible] might have to be chronicled [illegible] had stood for probably 15 years [illegible] the only wonder is that it did not fall [illegible] Damage very light.

THE WALKING MATCH —At New Armory [illegible] last night Duncan walked 10 miles in 1 [illegible] minutes and 23 seconds. His opponent [illegible] failed to make his appearance [illegible] and Campbell walked three miles in [illegible]. At 10 o'clock Sturges commenced [illegible] "go-as you please" test and [illegible] for to make 100 miles in that time [illegible] was large. Numerous attractions [illegible] offered for to-night.

FIRE —Yesterday afternoon as the [illegible] was coming up the river, and [illegible] McCraken's dock, Charles Neshore, [illegible] had been ill for some time [illegible] day and fell overboard. His fall [illegible] noticed by those on board until sig[illegible] persons standing on the dock of the [illegible]. A boat was quickly lowered from [illegible] and Neshore rescued.

P. P. A. —The regular meeting of this society will be held to night at 7 30 in the [illegible] Baptist church. The meeting is to [illegible] by Mr. R. Sealy. Every member is [illegible] to be present to night, as also these [illegible] meeting will be held after [illegible] service. Strangers invited and [illegible] comfortable.

FATAL ACCIDENT —Willie Owen a boy 13 [illegible] old, son of M M Owen, living two [illegible] of East Portland while playing [illegible] yesterday afternoon, was [illegible] against a stump and severely injured [illegible]. He spit blood profusely, and it [illegible] that his injuries may prove danger[illegible].

MASONIC BALL —Under the auspices of the [illegible] connected with the orphanage a grand [illegible] ball will be given at Turn Halls on [illegible] 31st inst. No effort will be spared to [illegible] the occasion both pleasurable and [illegible]. Tickets, admitting a gentleman [illegible] ladies (including carriages and supper), $5 00.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION —Last evening [illegible] incorporators of the Merchants Exchange [illegible] of Portland, held a meeting at [illegible] of Ladd & Tilton. No [illegible] business was transacted than the opening of [illegible] books. There will be a meeting [illegible] incorporators this afternoon at two [illegible].

THE POULTRY SHOW —The managers of the poultry and pet stock exhibition were busily [illegible] yesterday in arranging the exhibits [illegible] in the well lighted inviting room No [illegible] First street. There were numerous arrivals [illegible] fine poultry in the afternoon and everything will be in order for visitors to-day.

THE ELIZA MCNEIL.—The ship *Eliza Mc* [illegible] is expected to arrive here some time to [illegible]. The iron for the west side road will be [illegible] out without delay and transported to [illegible]. The good people of Corvallis will [illegible] have their promised railroad title Now [illegible] day if not on Christmas.

EXTRA MAIL TO ALBANY —An evening mail has been ordered to Albany. This makes an evening mail to Oregon City Salem and Albany from this city and from those points to Portland in the morning.

A GOOD PLACE TO DINE —The Congregational Ladies Society at their fair and festival lady open house for their friends. Dinner served from 1 30 to 30. All kinds of [illegible] and fancy articles. Admission free.

THE PORTOOS —John Holland is building [illegible] the boneyard a new pontoon [illegible] feet in the O. & C ferry landing at the foot of [illegible] street. It will probably be finished and [illegible] in position next Sunday.

MEETING —An adjourned meeting of St [illegible] Stephen s chapel guild will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the room adjoining the [illegible] chapel. A full attendance requested.

NEW BOOKS —A full set has been added to the Portland Library of Harpers *New Monthly Magazine* commencing June 1869 to May 1879, comprising 58 volumes.

GRAND CONCLAVE —There will be a stated [illegible] conclave of Oregon Commandery No 1 Knights Templar at their asylum this Tuesday evening at 30 o'clock.

BRIEF NOTES

Ch ist as m reth apa e
f o n ty o n t on the t h
Hor y trade getting quite lively
Tramp trap the bars are much in
Large mails as e ening from all points
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Miss Strad [illegible] will [illegible]
Mary [illegible] M [illegible]
O [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible] Fancast [illegible] Templeton
[illegible] will be produced with new
[illegible] and at early day at New Market
Theater.

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that [illegible] in rest a rubbish gaily. The
[illegible] reports [illegible] know s t of that Christ
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PROF. HARVEY'S ADDRESS.

(Continued from First Page.)

Have not yet been wholly sung nor said
For His thought, that never stops,
Follows the water drops
Down to the graves of the dead
Down to Chaos' dreamless sleep and gulfs profound
To the dreary fountain head
Of lakes and rivers underground
And he sees them, when the rain is done,
In the bridge of colors seven,
Mounting up one more in heaven
Opposite the setting sun
Thus the seer with vision clear,
Sees forms appear and disappear,
In a perpetual round of strange,
Mysterious changes,
From birth to death, from death to birth,
From earth to heaven, from heaven to earth,
Till glimpses more sublime,
Of things unseen before,
Unto his wondering eyes reveal
The universe, as an immeasurable wheel,
Turning, turning, turning for evermore,
In the rapid and rushing river of Time.

In tracing out the source of life and sensation you will see at once that I refer them to the common source of all the motions and changes that take place on the surface of the earth: *corpus semiabulus*. This may seem at first glance to be opposed to all sound theological views, but it is not so. On the contrary I consider it to be perfectly consistent, with the most enlightened theology. It makes the light of the universe to be the light of the intellect as well, and shows the light of the physical world to be one with that of the spiritual, differing only as to its mode. It was customary with the ancients, as it still is with the moderns, to look upon man as a microcosm, or little world in himself; an epitome, or brief abstract of the microcosm, the boundless outside universe, and I appropriate the idea to the present occasion as the best illustration I can select. The material parts of the microcosm, or little world of man, are under the sensing control of his intellect and will, though of course subordinated to that of the universe of which he is a part. Of both we may say with the ancients "Mens agitat molem, et magno se corpore miscet."

Through all the limbs diffused one guardian soul. The body moves and mingles with the whole.

This view of mind as one of the modes of action of the physical forces has the strongest analogies in its support, and I think has nothing in it to alarm the rational theologian. Rational theology has nothing to fear from science. They are united twins, and can only stand securely and steadily by each other's aid. Let us reason calmly together on the subject. I say this view of mind has analogy of the plainest kind for its support. All psychologists are now agreed that the brain is the organ of the mind. In all their conditions they are closely sympathetic; when the one is diseased the other is so too; an inflamed brain always manifests itself in a corresponding disturbance of the mind and passions; concussion and compression of the brain occasion a suspension of sense and thought, and when the organ is no longer nourished, its functions must perforce cease, and all intellectual manifestations disappear. These things are so commonplace and obvious in their nature that it may appear superfluous to allude to them; still, the idea of an independent mind is clung to by some with a tenacity that may appear to others to be surprising. If we weigh the analogies I have spoken of, we can hardly fail to see to which side the scale inclines. The brain is built up and fed, as the rest of the bodily organs are, by chemical compounds, that are the outgrowth of the solar forces. By the action of the nervous system in sensation and thought, brain tissue is broken down, thrown off and immediately renewed by the nutrient matter conveyed to it by the blood. By this physiological decomposition of organic tissue, the forces that were employed in its construction must be again let loose, if not in one form, in another, and the particular form of force evolved in this instance is in its nature sensorial. The forces used in the construction of the organ are, so far as we can see, only sunlight and heat; the forces given out on its decomposition and renewal are sensation and intelligence. As all force is eternal and uncreated, and cannot give out what it does not possess, have we not reason to infer that this apparent sun force is also an intellectual force, and therefore capable, among its many modes of action, of producing the phenomena of mind, just as the sun force used in the growth of fuel is let loose, on combustion, in the form of motion, by the invention of the appropriate means; so that it is not going too far to assume that the forces of nature have in themselves, among their possible ways of acting, the power of evolving thought, as well as other sensorial and physical manifestations. We thus can see and demonstrate that the power that pervades the universe is an intelligent one. In the words of St. Paul: "In this we live and move and have our being, as certain also of our own poets have said." For instance the Latin poet Virgil, as I have already shown to you. This was the *anima mundi* of the ancients; the "likeness" in which man is made; and in the action of the forces we see the touch of the Deity's finger.

The identification of the controlling power of the universe with light is not a new idea; neither is it, I think, unscriptural; for we find it expressed in many places, especially in the gospel of St. John, and in the apocalypse. In the latter, speaking of the city of the kingdom of heaven, we find—"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it; for the glory of God did lighten it." Though how, we must admit to be inconceivable. The analogy between ordinary, or physical light, the understanding of man, and the controlling wisdom of the universe, are so obvious, that the word *light* is quite commonly used to signify all three.

Health results from the due and normal action of the physical forces, under the beneficent laws of the Eternal Power, and is the usual condition of the body when the organs are undeprayed by improper treatment, and are duly acted on by their appropriate nutriment, exercise and surroundings. On the other hand pain and sickness result from the undue and abnormal action of the same forces, under the same laws, when the organs are depraved by erroneous treatment, or unduly acted on by outside influences. Man is the most sophisticated of nature's denizens; and his preeminence is undoubtedly a preeminence also of disease. This latter may be partly the price he has to pay for the former; but is most likely more a penalty for having left the paths of nature and simplicity, where alone health and happiness are to be met with, and adopted in their stead the sophistications of luxury and art that frequently lead to care, crime, suffering and death. How easily supplied are all the claims that nature urges in the frame of man! But what fatal poisons they prepare—noxious at once to body and soul—who seek the haunts where dissipation, vice and folly hold their frequent courts! Those happy they who confine their wants within due bounds and never venture on excess!

John Stuart Mill, Von Buchner and some other noted writers look upon the infliction of pain and sickness as an impeachment of the goodness of the Eternal Power, which I think a narrow way of looking at the question. In the vast diversity of nature's works in which the infinity of its Creative Power is seen, only omnipotence itself to make everything the best. Its wisdom and beneficence are better shown, I think, in making everything progressive and capable of going on forever in the way of improvement and of happiness. Pain and sickness are among the means of carrying out this work of progress. Pain is, as the word implies, a punishment. It is derived from the Latin word *pona*, a penalty, and its object is in natural as it should be in moral law, reformation. When this is no longer possible death kindly comes to put an end to suffering that can no longer be of use.

Sickness, then, I consider to be irregularity of function, from errors committed either by the individual or his ancestors, for the "sins of the fathers are visited upon the children to the third and fourth generation." From the well known school maxim, *ubicunque causa ibi effectus*, the first indication in the way of remedy is a return to proper habits of life. Hereditary diseases, as well as those brought on by the individual himself, may often be removed by a reformation in these particulars; but if they are persevered in the evils continue to increase till they become incompatible with the longer duration of life. This is especially shown in all the diseases of intemperance, or those brought on by over indulgence of any appetite. In any way whatever, I hold that there is no such thing in the career and life of man as gratuitous and necessary evil. All pain and sickness, I hold, might be avoided by the exercise of possible sagacity and vigilance. The nature of intent and meaning in the existence of what is called evil is to educate our faculties in what is right and proper to be done and had in the grand scheme of evolution and progress.

"Evil contaminate in mind or frame,
Fallen from right degeneracy, perverse,
The world's ills—its poisons, scourge, snare,
To thee the sentinel of the universe
Are dealt by an avenging Nemesis,
Who on the heads of guilty mortals pours
The dreadful vengeance of the angry gods,
And turns their gifts to dust and bitterness."

We have now spoken, in a cursory and general manner, as is of course necessary in an address of this kind, of the causes of life and its phenomena, in health and in sickness; it now remains for me to speak, also in general terms and hastily, on death, and I shall conclude.

However paradoxical it may appear, death in reality is a cause of life, without which it cannot come into existence. In the midst of life we are in death. As the phenomena of life are the result of the physiological decomposition of the material body, by which the forces used in its construction are again set free and manifest themselves in the various functions, so is death nothing but the cessation of function, owing to the non-restoration of those parts of the body whose decomposition has already given out their contained forces in a mode of action to which we apply the term vital. Whether life could have ever come into existence without any preceding form of life is a question. We know of no law by which it could; and the doctrine of spontaneous generation is repudiated by most leading men of science.

The idea that life is a result of the death and decomposition of the bodily tissues seems to have been a familiar one with the ancients; for we find it frequently used by the founders of Christianity to illustrate their new teachings concerning the resurrection of the body. Thus, in the the 12th chapter of St. John, and 24th verse, we find—"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit." And in the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians, 36th verse, St. Paul says: "That which thou sowest is not quickened except it die; and that thou sowest not that body that shall be, but the bare grain, so also is the resurrection of the dead."

"In life we are in death; the vital flame
Is fed by the decay of every part;
In death nomore is restoration mute;
By life again is every part restored,
And life and death in mutual duties join.
In death nomore is restoration mute;
Then the exchange of earthly elements
Then ends, and all are rendered back to earth.
The common mother of all living things;
But soon the atoms wake to life again.
With the same form, or altered, stirred by the germ
That serves to start the train of vital change;
And thus they run the gauntlet of all ills,
Till once more they join Humanity, if old or new,
Claim the severance as the heirs-at-law."

By the law of mortality all things formed by a combination of elements must, sooner or later die and come to an end, and only the simple elements and forms that act on them can endure forever. Shakespeare has said—

"Life's but a walking shadow! a poor player
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,
And then is heard no more."

Yes, Life is but an actor on the stage,
And death the hall fills attendant, who takes off
His borrowed robes whenever he quits the scene
Why should we tremble at the needful part
Death rectly plays in the affairs of life?
What though no formattractive he assumes
To charm the superficial eye of youth,
Thereby hangs no tale of gayety and joy?
For Death's dominion Heaven means not them;
If they become his prey, the blame is theirs,
For they have no immortal life
It pleases Providence to rest us with,
The tree of knowledge offers to mankind
The antidotes, that rightly understood
And used, might almost please us with the gods
Above the evils of mortality,
And place all years from the shaft of Death.
Alone the king of terrors he becomes,
When armed as an avenger he appears,
And grimly stalks beyond his proper bounds
To wrest from the laws of God and man;
He else is naught but Nature's chamberlain,
Stern and unwelcome though he be to those
Unready for his call; yet, oh, how sweet
To spend mortality that longs for rest.
And those who are aweary of the world
From suffering, age and devastating woes,
That joy, discard, and hope, that lingers last:
Life's sleep a comforter for every ill;
Death then becomes, and Nature's crowning boon."

And what thereafter? Were I to talk to you for an age I could tell you no more on this head than is contained in the words of "the preacher:" "Then shall the body return to the dust as it was, and the spirit shall return to God that gave it."

Sectional Strife and the Census.

[New York Sun, Dem.]

It is at least comforting to know that, after the next presidential contest, there will be and can be no solid south, as opposed to a solid north. The politics of the country must be changed by natural laws, and thereafter the country will divide in opinion as to the best mode of promoting the material interests connected with national growth and development. The causes of 1880 will eliminate sectional strife from the struggles for future ascendency.

Hendricks.

[Indianapolis Journal, Rep.]

Mr. Hendricks connection with the vice presidency was only a futile dalliance; and his connection with the presidency will probably prove, in the classic language of William Allen, "a d—d barren ideality."

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Financial.

MONDAY EVENING, December 8, 1879.

The market for wheat yesterday shows an improvement over last week, although 82½ is the outside figure for good round lots. Some sales of small lots were made at $1 97½. There has been a marked advance in New York and Chicago—from 5 to 7 cents per bushel, but no response to such advance is felt at Liverpool. The market there, however, is firm with an upward tendency. Conservative dealers are not anxious to pay $2, except for large lots, not knowing whether the recent rise in eastern markets is due to a bulling movement to legitimate demands. Unless there is a decision within the next few days, holders may confidently expect $2, but no more. Even if there should be another slight advance in Liverpool it would be taken up by increased freights. There are only a few vessels in port, and no more than eight, mostly of small capacity, due. The warehouses are full, and never at any time last winter was there as much wheat in store as now. The arrivals will aggregate nearly 1000 tons per day, and the amount stored along the Columbia and upper Willamette is unprecedented.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—Silver, 90¾ buying; par selling.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Silver Bullion—1000 fine, per fine ounce, 1.15.

U. S. Bonds—6s 25's, 4.08, 5's, 4.08, 4's, 3.5. Closed—6s, 25's, 4.08, 5's, 4.08, 4's, 3.5.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Consols, 97⅝ money, 97⅝ account.

U. S. Bonds—5s, 5's, 4.08, 4's, 4s, 6's.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.

Wheat—Strong; shipping, $1 95@2 05.
Flour—Weak.
Oats—Quiet.
Wool—Steadier.
Potatoes—Quiet.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.

Wheat on spot, firm easier. No. 1 standard, 9s. No. 2 standard, 8s 9d; red winter, 8s 6d; white American, 11s 7d; red American spring, No. 3 to 9, 9s 3d@9s 11d.

Shipping Intelligence.

[SPECIAL TO MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—Str Oregon arrived at 12:30 P. M. yesterday; had strong southerly gales to Cape Blanco.

9 A. M.—Heavy rain last night, clearing up now; light wind.

SAN FRANCISCO Dec 7.—Arrived—Ship John Bryce, Liverpool; Olive S. Southard, New York; bk Kaleah, Aimy Honolulu.

Sailed—Str Gaelic, Hongkong; bark Cabarlein, Iquiqui, brig Hazard, Honolulu; ships Sintram and James Bailey and bark Caprera, Cork; schrs Laura Kay and Botania, Coos Bay.

Sailed Sunday—Pandame, for Puget Sound the 13th; sch Sparrow, for Coos Bay, the 10th; sch Bobolink, for Umpqua, the 12th.

VICTORIA, Dec. 5.—Passed—Str Empire, for San Francisco; sch Hera for Departure Bay.

Dec 6—Arrived—Bk Runaig, Honolulu.

DEPARTURE BAY, Dec. 4.—Arrived—Bark Revere, Honolulu.

PORT BLAKELY, Dec. 6.—Arrived—Bktn Catherine Sudden, Honolulu.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 6.—Arrived—Bk Jas. Chesbro, from San Francisco.

SEATTLE, Dec. 7.—Arrived—Friday—Sch Alaska, San Francisco. Saturday—Str Tam O'Shanter, San Francisco.

PORT GAMBLE, Dec. 6.—Arrived—Str Rosie Welt, San Francisco via Queenstown.

HANSCOM, Dec. 8.—Arrived—Ship Springfield, Jarvis Island.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Isthmus mail steamer sailed on Nov. 27th that it would be two weeks before the railway connecting Aspinwall and Panama would be put in running order.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—Arrived—Ship Edward O'Brien and sailed the 8th for San Francisco.

Sailed—Nov 4—Str bark Ontario, San Francisco.

Nov. 17th—Sch Detroit, San Francisco.

Arrived—Str City of Tokio, Hongkong; schr C. H. Merchant, Coos Bay.

Sailed—Str Ship Aurigh, Cork; str Geo. W. Elder, Portland.

Gold and Stock Company's Reports.

San Francisco, Dec. 8.

Wheat—Steadier, demand speculative.
Barley—Quiet and easy for all but choice.
Oats—Dull 90's bid for nice yellow.
Flour—Very dull and weak.
Potatoes—Receipts very large and there is more than demand; for good potatoes 50 to 60 bid.
Onions—Overall unchanged.
Receipts 21 hours—Sacks of flour, 3,000; sacks of potatoes, None; sacks of barley, 1,000; sacks of wheat, 1,000; sacks of oats, None; sacks of corn, None.
Ship Lucerne taken prior to arrival.

PHILADELPHIA WOOL MARKET.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.

Wool—Quiet and firm. Manufacturers are not buying beyond their immediate wants. Sales of the week 1,000,000 lbs, including 600,000 lbs on commission, chiefly Ohio XX and above at 38@39c; fine medium, chiefly Ohio, at 36@37c; combing and delaine, 40@42c; coarse, 34@35c.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.

Wheat (in Shetlands) for Celtic and Inverness, 6s 6d@6s 9d for Continental Club.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.

Wheat—$1 25¾ per bushel paid for January.
Corn—$1 25¾ per bushel paid for January.
Pork—$13 65 paid for January.
Lard—$7 72½ paid for January.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

Wheat and flour strong.
Wool—Steady.

Southern Oregon.

Capt. L. L. Williams has returned to Douglas county after an extended visit to the National Park.

Oakland school, which were closed on account of the diphtheria some time ago, have again resumed labors.

We are reliably informed that some thief stole one of William Beard etc's horses from his barn, a few miles south of Oakland. The thief has not been caught.

Last month's transactions in the Roseburg land office are as follows: Eight hundred and thirty-one acres sold for cash; 10 homestead entries, embracing 2240 acres; 1 final commuted entries, embracing 327 acres; 23 pre-emption filings, 3 timber land filings; 8 coal declaratory statements filed.

Judge J. F. Watson is certainly entitled to the championship. Last Monday he left his home in Roseburg, traveled a distance of seventy-five miles, held a term of court, convicted and sentenced a man for forgery, and returned home the same day. Where can a better record be found? asks the *Plaindealer*.

The Bonanza Quicksilver Mining Co., at their annual meeting held at Oakland, Douglas county, on November 20th, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: R. M. Kelly, president; R. Doty, superintendent; Wm. Dough, foreman at the mines; J. H. Ray, secretary; Wm. Dough, treasurer. The company have made arrangements for having their bullion built on the spring for which quicksilver will be paid. The furnace will cost $15,000.

SAN FRANCISCO STOCK EXCHANGE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.

MORNING BOARD.

715 Ophir	22½	22¾	185 Justice	16	21
145	21	22½	1465 Union	46	75
680 G & C	65	66	40 Alta	3	5
190 H & B	90	90½	100 Belcher	5	10
610 Gala	5	75	98	5	10
640 Savage	6	6	3	6	8
1965 Con Va	4	5	3	6	10
960 Challenge	5	6	2	6	8
1650 Potosi	3	6	170	5	9
775 H & N	5	6	3	5	6
975 Utah	5	6	2	5	6
345 Jacket	9	10	2	8	8
125 Alpha	2	3	50	2	3
375 Belcher	5	6	60	5	6
1850 Sierra Nev	50	60	3½	45	50
50 Confidence	1	1	3½	1	1
197 Crown Point	11	11½	180	10	11
1240 Bullion	3	3	60	3	3
530 Exchequer	2	2	70	2	2
335 Overman	4	5	5	4	5

AFTERNOON BOARD.

725 B & E	9	50	61	9	10
1180 Eureka	2	10	25	1	2
200 Belmont	9	3	61	10	00
100 Leopard	1	00	75	95	1
1000 Mexican	20	25	50	1	00
210 N B Isle	6	50	65	2	00
50 Eureka	21	8	10	25	0
50 Martin	1	50	1	50	1
576 G Prize	9	5	61	11	0
900 Argenta	9	5	80	13	0
500 Navajo	5	4	6	10	0
5800 Enterprise	30	2	10	61	0
100 Independ	5	8	0	20	0
340 B Isle	1	60	1	65	9
1160 Daly	8	5	80	28	5
700 Albion	30	2	50	16	0
200 Wales	3	5	5	16	3
30 Mt Diablo	10	5	20	0	0
1700 N Belle Isle	39	2	50	20	0
535 Belle	1	0	1	15	8
500 Bechtel	1	5	2	50	1
50 McClinton	10	0	10	0	F
100 Paradise	2	90	2	0	S
225 Thurber	2	90	10	0	B
160 Summit	8	0	400	K	
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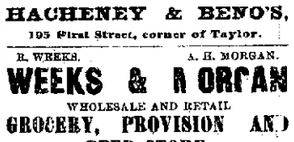
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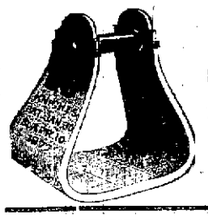

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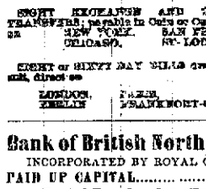
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